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SUBJ: NEW SOLIDARITY INTERNATIONAL PRESS SERVICE

REF: 75 STATE 313492

1. IN RESPONSE REFTEL EMBASSY IS SENDING A NOTE TO FOREIGN MINISTRY TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE STATUS OF GOP INVESTIGATION OF AND ANY LEGAL PROCESS AGAINST NSIPS, AND TO SUGGEST THE GOP GIVE AN ACCOUNTING OF SEIZED NSIPS PROPERTY TO LAWYER IN LIMA OR NSIPS HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK. (COPY OF NOTE POUCHED TO PERU DESK.)

2. WE HAVE SOME QUESTION ABOUT HOW VIGOROUSLY TO PURSUE THE NSIPS CASE IN PERU AS A DIRECT USG INTEREST, ESPECIALLY SINCE AMCIT GRECHIN SMALL HAS BEEN RELEASED AND ALLOWED TO LEAVE PERU FOLLOWING VIGOROUS EMBASSY REPRESENTATIONS. EVEN THEIR LOCAL PERUVIAN REPRESENTATIVE, LUIS VASQUEZ MEDINA, HAS APPARENTLY BEEN PROVISIONALLY RELEASED FROM JAIL, WHERE HE WAS BEING HELD FOR INVESTIGATION.

3. NSIPS EFFORTS TO COMPARE ITSELF AS A NEWS AGENCY WITH AP OR UPI HAVE NOT BEEN ACCEPTED BY GOP, WHICH REGARDS THE ORGANIZATION AS THE PROPAGANDA ARM OF THE U.S. SOCIALIST LABOR PARTY. THE GOP CHARGES THAT NSIPS VIOLATED ARTICLES 9, 29 AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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47 OF THE 1974 PRESS LAW WHICH DEAL WITH: (A) PROVISION OF FULL INFORMATION ON PLACE OF BUSINESS, DIRECTOR, ETC., (B) ESTABLISHMENT OF CONTINUOUS RESIDENCE OF AT LEAST SIX MONTHS; AND (C) IMPORTATION, CIRCULATION AND SALE OF FOREIGN PUBLICATIONS WHICH ARE DAMAGING TO THE INTEGRITY, SECURITY AND SOVEREIGNTY OF THE STATE; TO THE PRESTIGE OF THE POWERS OF STAT; TO THE INSTITUTIONS AND ECONOMY OF THE NATION; OR TO

GOOD MORALS AND CUSTOMS. NSIPS REPORTEDLY SMUGGLED MATERIAL FROM MEXICO FOR DISTRIBUTION BY ITS REPRESENTATIVES HERE. AS WASHINGTON KNOWS, NSIPS AMONG OTHER THINGS HAS IN ITS MATERIAL DISTRIBUTED LOCALLY CALLED GOP MINISTER "FFASCISTS" AND ACCUSED THE AMBASSADOR AND THIS EMBASSY OF FOMENTING A COUP.

4. IT SEEMS EVIDENT WE DO NOT HAVE HERE AN EXPROPRIATION CASE PARALLELING MARCONA, GULF, ETC. AND A REAL QUESTION ARISES AS TO THE APPROPRIATENESS AND EXTENT OF USG INVOLVEMENT IN THIS CASE. EMBASSY WOULD LIKE AN OPINION FROM L ON THIS QUESTION, PARTICULARLY IN CONNECTION WITH ANY FURTHER DEMARCHES THAT WASHINGTON MAY SUGGEST WE MAKE. IN THIS CONNECTION ALSO, IF MAY BE NOTED THAT THE NSIPS LAWYER HAS NEVER CONTACTED THE EMBASSY AND WE HAVE NO IDEA ABOUT THE NUMBER OR VALUE OF THE TYPEWRITERS AND OTHER OFFICE EQUIPMENT THEY CLAIM HAVE BEEN CONFISCATED. IT WOULD APPEAR TO US THAT IF THERE IS TO BE ANY FURTHER EMBASSY INVOLVEMENT IT SHOULD, IN ORDER TO BE EFFECTIVE, BE IN SUPPORT OF OR RELATED TO ANY CLAIMS SUBMITTED ON NSIPS'S BEHALF BY ITS LAWYER.

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